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GREEN TEAM COMMITTEE

Friday, January 4, 2008
1:30 P.M.

Manistee County Courthouse & Government Center
Board of Commissioners Meeting Room

MINUTES

Members Present: Allan O'Shea, Chairman; and Glenn Lottie

Members Absent: Kathy Fenstermacher

Others Present: Thomas Kaminski, County Controller/Administrator; and Rachel Nelson, Administrative Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 1:50 P.M.

ITEMS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

Mr. O'Shea opened the meeting by noting that NACO, MAC, MTA and others are really becoming involved with energy efficiency, recycling, etc., and it's important that Manistee County doesn't fall behind. The Manistee County Green Team needs an official name, as well as a mission statement, which should include conservation, consumption/reduction and environmental issues. All environmental resolutions will pass through this Committee.

Manistee County has signed up for the Energy Star Challenge, which asks that buildings' energy efficiency be improved by at least 10%. The County is also participating in NACO's Energy Efficiency Program. Ms. Nelson will also be tracking how much paper is saved as the County Controller/Administrator's Office goes paperless with the monthly Board packets.

The Committee would like to have five additional team members from the community, and will be working on recruiting them from the local Community Mental Health, Health Department, Medical Care Facility, Manistee City, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, or industries. It was noted that West Shore Medical Center and West Shore Community College already have Green Teams, and they are a valuable resource.

Once the additional team members have been added, the Committee will bring in experts to provide education on energy efficiency and related topics. The goal will be to get everyone excited, and may include incentives for County Departments to save energy.

The Committee will look into grant availabilities for government facilities (MAC, NACO, USDA, DEQ, etc.). A DNR tree grant was mentioned.

In 2008, the Green Team Committee will meet on the first Friday of each month at 1:30 P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 P.M.

Allan O'Shea, Chairperson

Glenn Lottie, Commissioner